REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-4, 6-8, 10, and 13-15 are pending. As instructed in the Notice of March 4, 2005, the Applicants submit herewith only the revised "Amendments to the Claims" section. The status identifier in Claim 10 has been changed to "Currently Amended". No other changes to the claims have been made. No new matter has been introduced.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendments and the remarks in the Amendment filed January 31, 2005, the Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejections of record and submit that this application is now in condition for allowance. Early notification to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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